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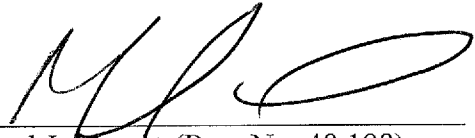
The Applicants initially note that the present Application was filed with claims numbered 1-9 and 11-65. (See Specification, pp. 17-25.) A Preliminary Amendment was filed to remove multiple dependencies from the claims but continued to number the claims 1-9 and 11-65. (See 5/31/06 Amendment, pp. 2-11.) The Published Application numbered the claims 1-64 but did not change the dependencies of the claims; thus, many claims, which were originally dependent on the immediately previous claim, appear to be dependent on themselves. (See U.S. Pub. App. No. 2007/0079707, pp. 7-9.) In the present Amendment, claims 11-27 have been amended to provide consecutive claim numbering and are now numbered claims 10-26. Further, claims 17-19 and 22-26, as renumbered, have been amended to correct their dependencies.

Claims 1-26, as renumbered, have been amended to clarify the language thereof without changing the scope thereof. Claims 28-65, as originally numbered, have been canceled. Claim 66 has been added. No new matter has been added. Thus, claims 1-26 and 66 are now pending in the present application.

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed October 8, 2008, the Applicants elect the invention of group I, claims 1-26, for prosecution on the merits.

Respectfully submitted,

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